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## TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reader's Service to The China Mail)

### TRADE DEPRESSION.

CONTINENTAL PRICES DEFY BRITISH COMPETITION.

THE MARKET IN CHINA.

LONDON, February 16.  
That some European countries are deliberately and systematically  
inflating exchange against themselves in order to undersell and get their  
industries going before meeting their indebtedness was a point urged by  
Sir Peter Rylands, a member of an influential industrial deputation which  
waited on Mr. Austen Chamberlain to urge alleviation and  
postponement of taxation on industries "during the present de-  
pression. It was pointed out that continental prices defied British  
competition. Moreover, there was great difficulty in obtaining remittances  
in certain countries. Mr. Chamberlain replied that the factors mentioned  
were beyond the Government's control. The difficulty in the case of  
markets like India and China was not concerned with remittances and ex-  
change but was a question of the impossibility of disposing there of goods  
ordered in Britain.

### UNEMPLOYMENT PROBLEM.

GOVERNMENT TO HONOUR PLEDGES TO EX-SERVICE MEN.

LONDON, February 17.  
In the House of Commons Mr. Clynes moved an amendment to the  
address regretting that the Government had failed to fulfil its promises to  
introduce legislation for the relief of unemployed, the numbers of whom had  
trebled in the past four months. The Rt. Hon. Mr. Macnamara replied  
that the Government intended to enforce its unemployment policy and  
carry out its pledges to ex-Service men by shortly increasing unemployment  
benefits.

### U. S. PACIFIC FLEET.

BIG NAVAL BASE PLANNED FOR HAWAII.

HONOLULU, February 15.  
Plans for the expansion of Pearl Harbour as a United States naval base  
at Hawaii with a view to enabling it to supply and accommodate the entire  
Pacific Fleet are now under way, according to Rear-Admiral Spenser  
who has just arrived to take command of the fleet. Rear-Admiral Spenser  
has been transferred to the American Naval Commission at Rio de Janeiro.  
Admiral Spenser says that the plans should not be interpreted so as to  
give the impression that the United States expects trouble but as a routine  
development tending to greater efficiency and fulfilling the original purposes  
of the station. A part of the Pacific Fleet will very soon be based at Hawaii.

### NORWEGIAN SHIPS.

COMPENSATION SOUGHT FROM AMERICA.

CHRISTIANIA, February 17.  
The Norwegian Minister at Washington has presented a note to the  
United States State Department requesting that the claims of a group of  
Christiania shipowners on the American Government for \$14,000,000 in  
connection with the requisitioning of ships during the war shall be submitted  
to arbitration unless an amicable settlement is reached soon.

### POST-WAR READJUSTMENT.

FINANCIAL EXPERT CONTEMPLATES FUTURE CONFIDENTLY.

WASHINGTON, February 16.  
Mr. Harding, Governor of the Federal Reserve Board, in his annual  
report, expresses the opinion that the United States has passed the crisis in  
post-war readjustment. He contemplates the future confidently. America  
at present is finding her exports only partly paid for by a large portion of  
the world. Trade will soon have to be cut down to the most vital essentials  
unless Europe's normal credit and buying power are restored. Mr. Harding  
advocates the creation of a corporation to arrange long-term credits.

### SIGNOR CARUSO.

GREAT SINGER'S CONDITION STILL SERIOUS.

SERIES OF ILLNESSES.

New York, February 16.  
After paying farewell to the members of the Metropolitan Opera  
Company at his bedside Signor Caruso rallied but is still in a serious  
condition. Signor Caruso has had a series of illnesses since early December.  
First he was injured in the fall of a stage pillar, then he strained his side  
by slipping and falling on the stage, and afterwards burst a small blood  
vessel in his throat while singing at Brooklyn. He recovered but after  
that he had successively lumbago and pleurisy, the latter ailment necessitat-  
ing two operations to the ribs. Subsequently he was suffering from acute  
emphysema.

### REPARATION TERMS.

SIMONS STILL BREATHING DEFIANCE.

Berlin, February 16.  
After conferring at Baden with the Cabinet of Karlsruhe Herr von  
Simons addressed the Diet. He declared that no German statesman would  
dare call on the people to perform a forty-two years' service under Entente  
conditions. Germany must therefore refuse to sign such an undertaking.  
Two important factors in the impending clearing up of the situation would  
be whether Germany would retain Upper Silesia and what would be her  
relations with the United States.

### ANOTHER DAVIS CUP CHALLENGE.

PARIS, February 17.  
France has issued a challenge for the Davis Cup.

## THE DOCK.

To-day's closing rate 3/8  
To-day's opening rate 3/8

## THE SHIP THAT WAS.

DERELICT BARQUE.

SAILS UP THE THAMES.

A British ship that passed out of  
mortal ken, that lay stranded and half-  
buried in the silted sand of a foreign  
shore for twenty years, and was given  
up as a total loss by the owners and  
underwriters, has just sailed up the  
Thames.

The vessel is now lying moored in  
the middle of Canada Dock, just be-  
low Rotherhithe.

The superstitious sailor will write  
her down in future as "the ship that  
was"—the Southampton built, four-  
masted barque "Andrina," now the  
re-named and Chilean-owned "Alex-  
andrina," that left British shores 22  
years ago.

On December 8 a stevedore's row  
boat took me alongside the ship, dimly  
outlined in the fog, writes a Daily  
News representative. She was flying  
the Chilean flag, and was discharging  
a valuable cargo of grain from the  
States. A dusky Chilean showed me  
the captain's cabin, and, seated at a  
table with his wife and three little  
fair-haired daughters, Captain Fred A.  
Gjerssen, a Norwegian, told me the  
romantic story of this derelict.

"This barque was wrecked on  
Tierra del Fuego—the Land of Fire—  
in 1898, as she was rounding Cape  
Horn, about 250 miles from Punta  
Arenas," he said. "She was deserted  
and forgotten, and eventually the  
sheep ranchers and the natives strip-  
ped her of most of the wood-work,  
sails, and tackle. They say that the  
Patagonians built many a fine house  
out of her timbers.

Well, twenty years passed, and  
she was given up as hopeless. Then,  
in 1918, when there was a world  
shortage of ships, a Punta Arenas  
firm of salvors arrived, dug a channel  
in the sand, got her out, and floated her.  
Her present owners are the famous  
Menendez firm of Punta Arenas  
known as the 'Wool Kings of Patago-  
nia,' owning vast sheep ranches.

The salvors, of whom there were  
about 50, lived on board during the  
operations, but the vessel listed over  
at a sharp angle, and fresh quarters  
had to be built.

The remarkable thing about the  
'Alexandrina' was that although she  
had been derelict for 20 years, and  
had endured the rains and storms of  
all that time, her masts were standing  
and the hull was in good condition.  
After working for over four months  
the salvors launched her into the sea,  
and she took in scarcely a drop of  
water, which says much for the sound-  
ness with which she was built. She  
was towed to Punta Arenas, refitted,  
and equipped, and a diver who ex-  
amined her reported her seaworthy."

It is the ship's first visit to London  
since her rechristening, and no one  
who saw her being "mothered" into  
the dock by the tugs guessed her  
identity. She has a mixed crew of  
Chileans and Norwegians and one or  
two Germans.

## FAMINE RELIEF FUND.

SOME BIG GIFTS.

PRESIDENT GIVES \$30,000.

Two large gifts to the National  
Famine Relief Drive have brought the  
special campaign fund to a total of  
\$68,000.  
Mr. Charles R. Crane, American  
Minister to China, gave the commit-  
tee \$15,000 and his contribution was  
soon followed by another from the  
Methodist Church Board which sent  
in \$20,000.

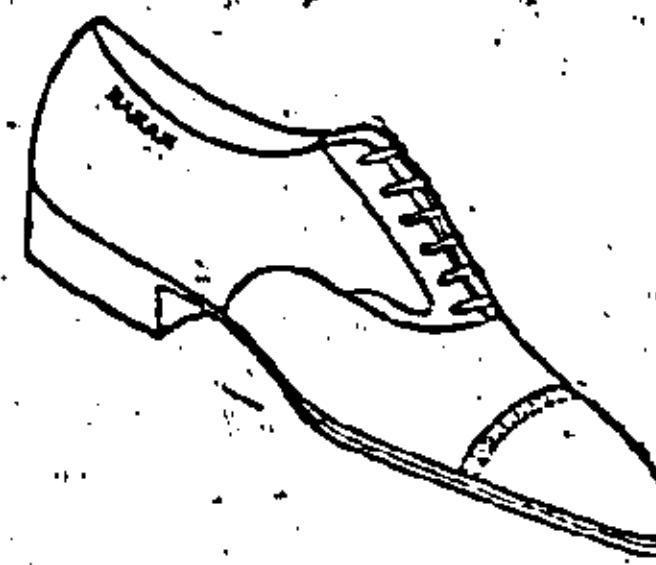
Both the new funds come from  
sources that have already given liber-  
ally to famine relief. Both Mr. and  
Mrs. Crane have given donations  
before and the Methodist organiza-  
tions have assumed a large part of  
the relief burden.

The Methodist fund was sent to  
China by the Methodist Board for  
work of the China churches in their  
own fields but the directors said they  
believed the nature of the United  
International Famine Relief Commit-  
tee was such that the funds would be  
best expended under its direction  
which has been characterized by  
efficiency throughout.

An empty treasury confronted the  
United International Committee be-  
fore the drive was inaugurated and  
the new funds give promise that it  
will be replenished. His Excellency,  
President Hsu Shih-chang gave  
\$30,000 last week and the North  
China Union Language School has  
given \$3,000. Other large gifts are  
expected before the formal opening of  
the drive on February 20.

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sideboards, dinner waggons, ice chest,

cupboard, electro-plated & glassware,

etc., etc.

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## LIABILITY FOR CALLS.

## AN IMPORTANT POINT.

THE RECTIFICATION OF SHARE-  
REGISTERS.

In an appeal case on December 13,  
Justices Lush and McCardie held that  
a shareholder who pleaded fraudulent  
misrepresentation to take shares must  
first apply to the Court to have the  
register rectified. It was not sufficient  
to allow his name to remain on the  
register and to plead misrepresentation  
in defence to a call on the shares.

The case arose out of an action  
brought in the County Court last July  
by the First National Reinsurance  
Company, Planners Hall, Austin  
Friars, E.C., against Mr. John Henry  
Greenfield, of St. Romans, Egham,  
to recover a first call payable  
December 21, 1919, on 111 shares  
allotted to him.

Mr. Justice Lush, in giving judg-  
ment, said the appeal raised an in-  
teresting question and a question of  
considerable importance, and it was  
surprising that there was no actual  
decision so far as he could find direct-  
ly bearing on the point. This was an  
action for calls. The defendant re-  
sisted the claim on the ground that  
there had been an alleged fraudulent  
misrepresentation in the prospectus.

Mr. Ralston (for appellant) had stated  
that fraud was not specifically alleged,  
but he said it was a representation  
which amounted to fraud. The de-  
fendant gave notice of a special de-  
fence and counterclaim. He alleged  
he was entitled to rescission of the  
contract to take the shares and to  
rectification of the register, but he did  
not counterclaim for either rescission  
or rectification, for the good reason  
that the County Court Judge had no  
jurisdiction to deal with it if he had.

In the result the learned Judge gave  
judgment for the plaintiffs, and said:  
"I sympathise very much with the  
defendant. As far as I am concerned  
about misrepresentation, I think in  
taking the shares the statement as to  
a particular person is not fulfilled by  
saying 'We put up somebody else  
who is as good.' That, said his  
Lordship, really in substance meant  
that the defendant had proved mis-  
representation, because a misrep-  
resentation as to the appointment of a  
particular gentleman for the pur-  
poses of underwriting.

DEFENDANT'S CONTENTION.

He (Mr. Justice Lush) did not think  
it could be supported that in an action  
for "calls" defendant could success-  
fully resist the claim by merely pro-  
ving repudiation after discovery of the  
fraud. It had been contended by the  
appellant that it was immaterial to a  
defendant in an action for "calls"  
whether he had or had not taken  
steps to rectify the register, or had  
waited so long that it would be im-  
possible for him at the time the action  
was brought to take effective steps

to have his name removed from the  
register. If a person agreed to accept  
shares, and the shares were allotted  
to him and his name was on the re-  
gister, he was liable by statute to pay  
the "calls." He did not mean by  
that there was an express section in  
the Companies Act saying that he  
should pay "calls," but the statute  
enacted that his liability to the com-  
pany in respect of them and other  
matters should be treated as a special  
debt, and the provisions with regard  
to the articles of association which  
referred to the payment of "calls"  
in effect amounted to a statutory  
obligation on the shareholder to pay.

The action here was for calls.  
What was the proper defence? The  
only plea one would have thought that  
could be effective would be the plea  
that he was not a shareholder. His  
Lordship did not mean that a person  
must prove that his name had actually  
been taken off the register, but he  
must plead that, so far as he was  
concerned, he had taken steps within  
a reasonable time after discovery of  
the fraud to have his name removed  
from the register. He could not have  
his name off the register and thereby  
cease to be a shareholder; he could  
only invoke the jurisdiction of the  
Court. He had to make out he was  
not a person liable to pay calls. That  
was his view of the law. A share-  
holder must prove he had taken effec-  
tive steps to have his name removed  
from the register before he could suc-  
cessfully set up the discovery of fraud  
and repudiation. The Court could not  
hold a mere plea of fraud and repudia-  
tion as sufficient.

His Lordship felt great doubt whether  
if a defendant was entitled to  
have the register rectified, that was if  
there had been no lapses on his part,  
that plea was sufficient. It seemed  
to him, if it were, the judge might  
give judgment for the defendant on  
the ground that he was not too late,  
and that he had proved the fraud and  
the defendant might go away and  
never take any steps to rectify the  
register. It was clear here the de-  
fendant was not entitled to rectification.  
He had waited eight months after dis-  
covery of the alleged fraud and had  
done nothing. He had given notice,  
no doubt, but had taken no steps to  
have his name removed, and the  
learned Judge was right in his deci-  
sion.

IF THE LAW WERE OTHERWISE.

His Lordship said he would like to  
make this observation. If the law  
were otherwise very serious incon-  
venience might follow. If Mr. Ral-  
ston's contention was right a list of  
shareholders might consist of persons  
who presumably or apparently were  
unable to pay the calls which were  
about to be made. They might have  
known of the fraud and might have  
done nothing for eight months like the  
defendant to have the register rectified.  
If it were true to say every one of  
them was in a position successfully  
to resist a claim for calls the register  
of shareholders would be misleading.

## OLD CAPTAIN'S SACRIFICE.

## A MOVING STORY.

REFUSAL TO LEAVE SINKING VESSEL.

A moving story of the devotion of  
a captain to his ship was told the other  
day by the crew of the three-masted  
schooner "Ludvig," of Newfound-  
land, who were under the care of the  
Sailors' Home, Well Street and Dock  
Street, E.

The "Ludvig," which was com-  
manded by Captain Horberg, had  
been recently purchased from the  
Danes. The vessel was on a voyage  
from Newfoundland to Spain laden  
with codfish. While lying off Malaga  
breakwater in a gale the ship dragged  
her anchors. The crew found that  
their efforts to prevent the ship drift-  
ing on to the breakwater were use-  
less, and when within a few yards of  
the breakwater they all got into the  
ship's boat except the captain, who,  
in spite of the crew's entreaties, ab-  
solutely refused to leave the ship.  
A few minutes afterwards she struck  
and went down suddenly, carrying  
her captain with her. Captain Hor-  
berg was 75 years of age, Danish by  
birth, but had been resident in New-  
foundland, where his widow now  
lives. There was one Icelandic in  
the crew and the rest belong to New-  
foundland.

There were also received at the  
Sailors' Home during the Christmas  
holidays the crew of the "W. M.  
Richard," of Halifax, Nova Scotia,  
which was bound outward from St.  
Andrew's Bay, Florida, loaded with  
lumber. When the vessel was off  
Key West she started to leak badly,  
and signalled to a passing ship which  
proved to be the s.s. "Runnymede,"  
of Cardiff, bound to Naples with grain.  
The "Runnymede" took off the "W.  
M. Richard's" crew just before the  
ship sank.

Both these crews had to leave their  
ships with very little of their cloth-  
ing, but have been fitted out, and  
they will remain until they can be  
repatriated.

and it would be disastrous if the  
Court were to hold that that list of  
shareholders would convey nothing as  
to the ability of the company to get  
payment of calls, because it would be  
consistent with these names being on  
the register that every one of them  
might be able successfully to defend  
the action. In his opinion, it was the  
law, and so far as he knew, always  
had been, that the defendant must,  
in order to avoid payment of calls,  
prove in substance that he was not a  
shareholder at all. For these reasons  
the judgment of the learned Judge  
was right.

Mr. Justice McCardie agreed and  
the appeal was dismissed with costs.

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system. Bright's Disease in your system.  
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trouble should be on the look out for  
symptoms which will prove to them  
whether their kidneys are weak or not,  
and these symptoms should not be over-  
looked or disregarded, because serious  
and incurable forms of kidney and  
bladder disorder start with very slight  
symptoms and gradually get worse.  
How are you to recognize kidney and  
bladder trouble? Just ask yourself the  
question, "Have I any of the following  
symptoms?" Have I a nasty taste in  
the month first thing in the morning,  
puffiness under the eyes, general feeling  
of weakness and irritability, aches and  
pains in various parts of the body? Have  
I constipation, cloudy urine, or  
sharp stinging or aching pains—a pain  
as though my back will break? There  
are the sure and certain symptoms of  
kidney trouble, and those who suffer  
from backache, rheumatism, gout,  
sciatica, gravel, stone, cystitis (inflam-  
mation of the bladder), or pain in the  
muscles and joints are all suffering  
these pains through weak or diseased  
kidneys, for these are the positive  
symptoms of kidney trouble.

These signs of kidney or bladder  
trouble are caused by the poisonous acid  
in the blood which the kidneys should  
remove, but they do not, owing to their  
being in a weak state.

The kidneys are the filters of the  
body, and it is through them that  
the impurities from the blood pass out  
of the system. If the kidneys are out  
of order, these impurities, which take  
the form of tiny jagged crystals of  
uric acid, are held up in the body,  
causing those rheumatic twinges in the  
joints and muscles and stinging pains  
sometimes I had to crawl up and down  
the stairs in which the stains on hands and knees,  
the back. Other ways in which the  
kidney trouble shows itself are head-  
aches, nervous debility, swollen feet,  
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Mr. THOMAS THOMAS, from Photo.

Mr. Thomas Thomas, of Park Side,  
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years I was eaten up with rheumatism.  
My arms and legs ached so badly  
that I had to hobble out on crutches.  
Sometimes I had to crawl up and down  
the stairs in which the stains on hands and knees,  
the back. Other ways in which the  
kidney trouble shows itself are head-  
aches, nervous debility, swollen feet,  
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## LOCAL MATTERS.

Each interest quite naturally opposes taxation that touches itself, and it is not necessary to take all the objections raised too seriously. With our opium revenue doomed, if not to extinction, at least to an amount less useful than it was, we shall have to make up our minds to forms of taxation from which we have hitherto been happily free. Of these evils, it is wisdom to choose the least, and we fancy that, if a list of other possibilities loomed up, or the half-formed projects of the Government were realized, even the interests concerned would not oppose with more than formal strength the proposal to continue the Light Dues Special Assessment. In view of the financial requirements of the Colony, says the Colonial Secretary, "it is expedient to continue the collection of light dues at the present rates." There can be no effective rebuttal of that statement that does not show some other expedient and less objectionable way of getting the money. At this afternoon's meeting of the Legislative Council, Hamlet might fittingly have been quoted, taking that passage in the soliloquy which speaks of the advantages of bearing the ills we have rather than flying to others we know not of.

We did not expect, after our experiences, that the list of houses and flats which are being built with loans advanced by the Government would be forthcoming. We asked for it, and were referred to an unofficial member. He asked for it, and was refused. After that

we challenged the Government to publish it, alleging that after the flourish with which the loan scheme was announced, the list of actual allocations would look queer. As a genuine encouragement of home building the scheme was made farcical. We have yet to learn how far the public is to be made better off by subsidizing the rich estate companies.

The cramped and depressing quarters which are the present Lunatic Asylum have been a byword so long that we have tired of talking of them. Perhaps now that Kowloon is asking for a proper place, Victoria may get one. The present place would very soon turn a sane inmate into a lunatic, and it may safely be surmised that some cases that might have recovered must have been made chronic in these extraordinary quarters.

As for the Economic Resources Commission, it may be remembered that the *China Mail* exposed one of its questionnaires. The intention behind some of the questions was manifestly such that we need not expect full and frank findings. The origin of the Commission, says the Colonial Secretary, "is expedient to continue the collection of light dues at the present rates." There can be no effective rebuttal of that statement that does not show some other expedient and less objectionable way of getting the money. At this afternoon's meeting of the Legislative Council, Hamlet might fittingly have been quoted, taking that passage in the soliloquy which speaks of the advantages of bearing the ills we have rather than flying to others we know not of.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## LIST OF HOUSING LOANS MADE PUBLIC.

## NO MORE ADVANCES.

## PROHIBITION OF CRACKER BOMBS BOUGHT.

## QUESTIONS BY MR. HOLYOAK.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held in the Council Chamber at 2.30 p.m. to-day.

H. E. the Governor presided, and there were present:

H. E. the General Officer Commanding the Troops, Major-General Sir C. M. Kirkpatrick, K.C.B., The Colonial Secretary, Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G.

The Attorney-General, Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, K.C., The Colonial Treasurer, Hon. Mr. C. M. Messer.

The Acting Director of Public Works, Hon. Mr. T. L. Perkins, The Acting Secretary for Chinese Affairs, Hon. Mr. S. C. B. Ross, The Director of Education, Hon. Mr. E. A. Irving.

Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, Hon. Mr. E. V. D. Farr, Hon. Mr. John Johnston, Hon. Mr. Lau Chu Pak, Hon. Mr. Ho Fook.

The Hon. Mr. T. L. Perkins, Acting Director of Public Works, took the oath as a member of the Council.

The Hon. Colonial Secretary tabled the Financial Minutes, and the Juries List for 1921.

The Colonial Secretary submitted the following resolution, which was taken as read:

Whereas it is expected that the total Revenue derived from Light Dues (Special Assessment) since the introduction of the rates at present in force will exceed in the current year the sum of \$1,104,293, being half the cost of the Typhoon Refuge at Mongkokktsui;

And whereas an undertaking was given that this Special Assessment would not be continued after the above-mentioned sum had been raised unless a new Resolution should first be proposed to the Legislative Council;

And whereas, in view of the financial requirements of the Colony, it is expedient to continue the collection of Light Dues at the present rates:

It is hereby resolved by this Council that Light Dues shall continue to be collected at the rates laid down in Table P of the Schedule to the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, No. 10 of 1899.

The Colonial Secretary said, with regard to the resolution, that it had been proposed that 23 cents should be levied on shipping. In connection with the Typhoon Refuge, in deference to the shipping interests the dues had been reduced to 2 cents.

The shipping interests then had drawn a doleful picture. The necessity of additional revenue was as urgent now as in 1908. The Government had incurred and was going to incur additional expense in behalf of shipping, such as the installation of diaphone apparatus and directional wireless. The continuation of light dues at their present level, he said, constitutes no improper burden on shipping.

Mr. Holyoak asked that the question be not discussed at length now but continued until a later meeting. He said he was not ready at the moment to say that the Chamber of Commerce was prepared to oppose the action.

The Committee of the Chamber of Commerce had frankly been astounded that this was included in the programme without notice. He asked that the resolution be adjourned to the next meeting.

The Hon. Mr. Pollock seconded. H. E. the Governor said he had no objection to putting it over to next meeting.

Mr. Holyoak gave notice of the following questions:

MR. HOLYOAK'S QUESTIONS.

(1) Will the Government state when they hope to open the separate

Maternity Ward of the Barker Road Hospital?

(2) Have the recommendations of the Coroner's jury on the "Tsi O" tragedy been carried out as regards two European Policemen being stationed at out stations?

(3) Will the Government, in view of the recent tragedy at West Point, wherein several persons lost their lives and many were injured take steps at once to prohibit the sale of all so-called "Bombs" in this Colony, and further to enforce existing legislation against the throwing of crackers, stones or other missiles from verandahs of houses and buildings into the roadway?

(4) In view of the general and considerable increase in Motor Traffic in this Colony, and the probability that it will still further increase ere long, will the Government appoint a small committee to enquire into and revise traffic conditions and regulations?

(5) In view of the fact that the Chamber of Commerce has recently received many complaints concerning the efficiency of the Fire Brigade service, more particularly aloft, and that there is a general feeling that it is not properly equipped for dealing with a serious harbour conflagration, will the Government at once appoint a Commission or Committee of enquiry into the gear and administration of the Fire Brigade?

H. E. the Governor said, with regard to the last question, that when Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe left the Colony it was with the intention of devoting some time to getting information on the subject at Home.

The Governor said that on Mr. Wolfe's return he would confer with him and consider the matter.

Mr. Holyoak said that on this assurance he would withdraw the question.

ANSWERS TO MR. POLLOCK.

The answers to the questions asked by Mr. Pollock, concerning which he had given notice, were then read. They follow:

(1) In view of the pressing need of room for further office accommodation in this Colony, will the Government approach the Military Authorities with a view to the Murray Parade Ground being handed over to the Government at an early date?

(1) Answer.—The Government is in correspondence with the Military Authorities on the subject.

(2) For the convenience of those who desire to build houses for their own occupation, will the Government state the terms and conditions upon which it is prepared to grant loans for the building of such houses?

(2) Answer.—The Government regrets that it does not feel able in present circumstances to increase the already large amount locked up in advances for building houses.

(3) Will the Government give a list of the various houses and flats which are being built with loans advanced by the Government and the dates of such respective loans and the estimated respective dates of completion of such houses and flats?

(3) Answer.—The list is as follows:—

(See foot of column.)

(4) Will the Government consider the advisability of a Mental Ward for the care of the insane being established in connection with the proposed New Hospital at Kowloon, so that those who are mentally afflicted may not be confined in the cramped and depressing quarters which are comprised in the present Lunatic Asylum?

(4) Answer.—It is not desirable to have a mental ward in a hospital. Any extension of the existing arrangements for the temporary detention in

the Colony of insane persons, while awaiting transport elsewhere, would involve the establishment of a separate Asylum.

(5) What progress is being made by the Economic Resources Commission and how soon may some report from that Commission be expected?

(5) Answer.—The Committee held its final meeting on February 14. A number of reports by various Sub-Committees endorsed by the Committee will be issued very shortly.

(6) Will the Government appoint a small Committee of experts for the purpose of considering the feasibility of extending the system of water closets in this Colony by the pumping up of sea-water from the Harbour and by the provision of a kind of pipe which will not be corroded by sea-water?

(6) Answer.—The Government is prepared to appoint a Committee.

(7) Will the Government introduce a Bill to amend section 26A of the Offences against the Person Ordinance, 1865, (which was introduced by Ordinance 9 of 1913) by inserting the words "medical aid" after "clothing" in the clause defining neglect of children and young persons, in order to bring the law of the Colony in line with the law of England, i.e., s. 12 (1) of the Children's Act, 1908?

(7) Answer.—The question of retaining the words "medical aid" in the English Act or a variation of those words to suit local conditions was carefully considered when Ordinance 9 of 1913 was being drafted, and it was decided to omit them. There has been no change in the circumstances which caused the Government to arrive at that decision and it is not therefore considered desirable to amend the section in the manner proposed.

(8) In view of the fact that, in 1917 and 1918, many months of repeated representations by the Government and the Naval and Military Authorities and the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce and the China Association were required in order to obtain Exchange Compensation for the Officers and men of the Services, will the Government now co-operate with the local Naval Authorities in protesting against the recent proposal of the Home Authorities to impose Income Tax upon the Exchange Compensation granted to those who are serving under the Admiralty on this Station?

(8) Answer.—The matter is not one in which the Government of Hongkong can intervene.

With regard to the answer to question No. 4, Mr. Pollock said the question did not deal with the establishment of a mental ward inside the hospital, but in connection with it.

With regard to the answer to question 5, Mr. Pollock said he thought that implied publicity.

The Governor replied that this was what it was intended to convey.

VEHICLES BILL.

The Hon. Attorney-General moved the first reading of a Bill intituled An Ordinance to amend the Vehicles and Traffic Regulation Ordinance, 1912.

OBJECTS AND REASONS.

1. It is intended that exclusive rights of running a motor omnibus service in Kowloon and New Kowloon shall be granted in the near future, and the object of this Bill is to amend the Vehicles and Traffic Regulation Ordinance, 1912, so as to provide the necessary powers to do so.

2. Exclusive rights will be granted in order to secure a regular service to outlying districts, which would not be possible under a system of free competition, and it is also anticipated that by this method a better service will be provided generally for the public.

3. The opportunity has also been taken to add a definition of "motor vehicle" to section 2 of the principal Ordinance, and to increase the penalty imposed by section 4 of the principal Ordinance, in order to bring it into line with other legislation of a similar character.

The Colonial Secretary seconded. The Hon. Mr. Pollock asked what were the terms and provisions the Government proposed to grant.

Hon. Mr. Kemp: The term is four years.

The bill was read a first time.

WIDOWS' PENSION BILL.

The Hon. Attorney-General moved the first reading of a Bill intituled An Ordinance to amend the Widows' and Orphans' Pension Ordinance, 1908.

OBJECTS AND REASONS.

1. The object of this Bill is to exempt from the operation of the Widows' and Orphans' Pension Ordinance, 1908, (a) the Indian and Chinese members of the Police Force and (b) all Government servants whose pay is less than \$420 per annum. \$420 per annum is the minimum pay in the clerical service under the revised salaries scheme. It is believed that the classes affected will welcome the relief from liability to contribute to a fund which is not so useful to them as to those members of the service to whom the Ordinance will still apply.

2. Existing contributors are given by clause 3 the choice between continuing to contribute and withdrawal. In the latter event, they will receive back half of the total amount of their contributions, without interest. Officers on leave at the commencement of the Ordinance are allowed until one month after return from leave to make their election between continuance and withdrawal. All other officers are allowed until one month after the commencement of the Ordinance to make their election.

3. The rights of officers who shall have left the service before the commencement of the Ordinance will not be affected.

4. The Widows' and Orphans' Pension (Amendment) Ordinance, 1914, is repealed because it merely introduced the definition of the term officer which is now being repealed.

The Hon. Colonial Secretary seconded and the Bill was read a first time.

The Hon. Attorney-General moved the second reading of a Bill intituled An Ordinance to—authorise the making of by-laws in respect of Holt's Wharf.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary seconded and the Bill was read a second time.

The meeting then went into committee to consider the Bill clause by clause.

Coming out of committee the Bill was read a third time, and there being no objections, it was passed.

The meeting went into committee to consider the Juries List for 1921. Afterwards the Finance Committee considered the Financial Minutes.

FINANCE MINUTES.

The following votes recommended by H. E. the Governor came before the Finance Committee and were approved:—

\$3,625 in aid of the vote Kowloon-Canton Railway, Special Expenditure, Repairs to Railway Embankment.

\$2,000 in aid of the vote Imports and Exports Department, Other Charges, Secret Service.

\$8,474 in aid of the vote Public Works, Extraordinary, Hongkong, Communications, Roads, Road contouring Mount Gough and forming sites for Quarters.

\$3,000 in aid of the vote Kowloon-Canton Railway, Special Expenditure, Typhoon and Rainstorm Damages.

\$750 in aid of the vote Kowloon-Canton Railway, Special Expenditure, Expenses in connection with motor drivers.

\$1,200 in aid of the vote Kowloon-Canton Railway, Special Expenditure, Additional Hydrants and Main for Kowloon Station.

\$14,800 in aid of the vote Kowloon-Canton Railway, Special Expenditure, Locomotives.

One fatal case of small pox, Chinese, was reported yesterday. The corpse was found at Homantin and taken to the Kowloon Mortuary.

## BRIDGE POST-MORTEMS.

## IRRITATING HABIT.

## WHY RUB IN WHAT MIGHT HAVE HAPPENED.

Many Auction Bridge players are addicted to the little game of "IL." "If you had only done so and so, partner, you would have won the game."

But the partner did not do so and so. The matter is finished. Why then, "rub in" the mistake? writes A. E. Manning Foster to the *Daily Mail*.

The occasional intelligent discussion of a difficult hand or a knotty point of play may be interesting and instructive. But that is quite a different matter from the wearisome custom of playing over again every trick.

The post-mortem fad simply will not be denied. If at the end of a game neither his partner nor opponents indulge in any criticism or comment, he will explain elaborately why he played as he did.

No one wants to know and no one cares. But that does not deter him in the least.

"You see," he will say, "I had to take that finesse before I drew trumps. Because if it had gone wrong I might have been in trouble. If only 'B' had not led a heart I should have made a Little Slam."

All the time it is a question of "IL." When a player finds a particularly good hand put down in dummy, the post-mortem man must observe: If that hand had been with one of us what a double we should have had!

It is a funny thing that the people who say this kind of thing do not realise its futility.

If you have played a hand really well and made more tricks than you ought to have done, it rather detracts from the brilliancy of your play when you start explaining why you did it. Leave it alone.

The limits of fair criticism and just comment to Bridge have not and cannot be defined exactly. They are mainly a matter of good feeling and good taste.

Many players do not object to their partner pointing out their mistakes so long as it is tactfully and considerately done, but they resent, and rightly so, the "rubbing-in" of their opponents.

But the player with the post-mortem habit cannot resist indulging his passion. Even when he is sitting out he will point out to the members of the table exactly what they could, might, or should have done. And he is never so happy as when he can call attention to a revoke unnoticed by all four players.

No amount of snubbing cures the victim of the post-mortem obsession. His remarks may be received in icy silence or may be actively resented, but he does not mind.

He is seldom a really good player. His comments are often preposterous and absurd. His premises are frequently faulty and his deductions false. When right, he is a trial of patience; when wrong he is an intolerable nuisance.

## A "WHISTLER" MYSTERY.

## AMAZING FRAUD.

## PICTURE'S INTERESTING HISTORY.

What is alleged to be one of the most amazing picture frauds ever perpetrated is at present being inquired into by M. Bonin, Examining Magistrate. It is a case of a study of flowers in a pot without a handle and plums on a pewter plate, painted by the French artist Sassy, and sold by him for 85*fr.* The allegation is that this work of art has now turned up as a "Whistler" painting, to obtain which two collectors were contesting, for 150,000*fr.* M. Sassy, who painted the picture in 1906, called at the Figueat Gallery, in the Avenue Malakoff, the other day, and was amazed to find what he holds to be his picture signed "Whistler," and dated 1859.

The painter at once rushed to M. Lavaysse, chief of the Department for the Repression of Frauds, taking with him the pot and pewter plate which had served as models, and a photograph of his painting. M. Lavaysse went to the Figueat Gallery and seized the picture, which, it seems, has had an interesting history.

Bought in Paris in 1906, it was found in London five years later in the hands of a City merchant, who sold it to a Parisian for 500*fr.* Not being certain of its genuineness, the buyer sold it a few months later to M. Figueat, who parted with it in 1912 to a German merchant living in Paris for 2,000*fr.* The property of the German is under sequestration, and on examining his books, the head of the Department for the Repression of Frauds learned that the picture had been sold to a Paris collector, who, desiring to get rid of this gallery, handed the supposed Whistler, with other pictures, over to M. Figueat.

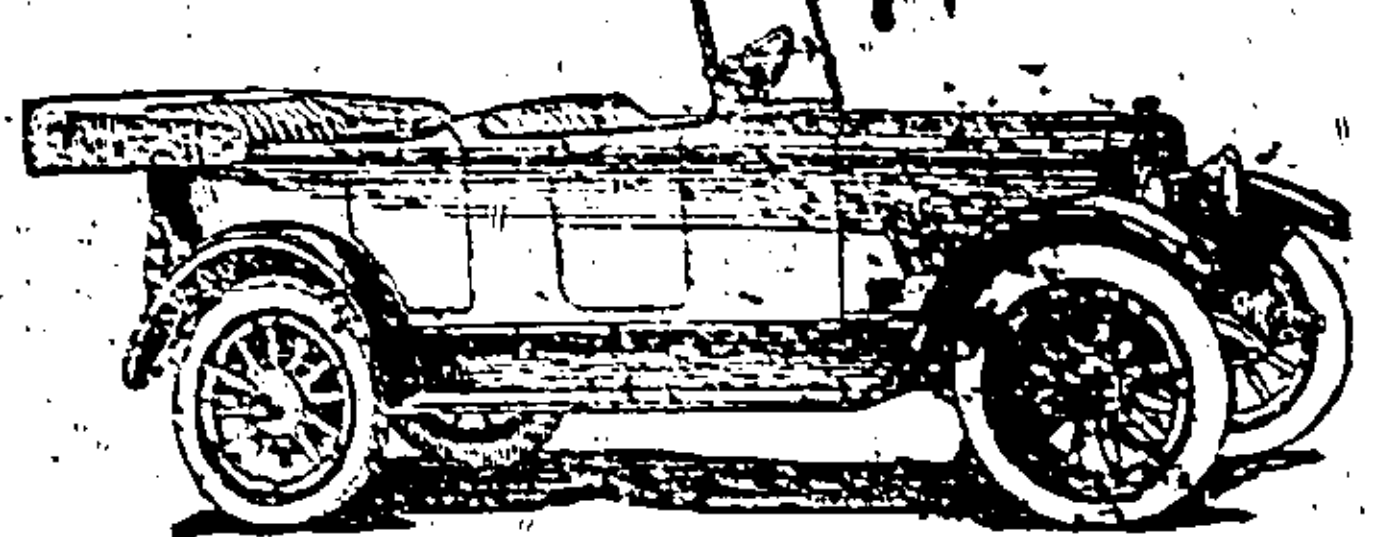
To the mind of M. Figueat there is no doubt about the authenticity of the Whistler, which, he says, is mentioned in a book on the American painter's works by M. Théodore Duret, an art expert—who, however, not having seen the picture seized nor M. Sassy, whom he does not know, cannot say whether it is the same study which he had mentioned in his book published ten years ago.

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2257	do.	18 "	15.3.22				
K.L. 574	Hart Avenue	18 "	30.6.21	Company Limited	\$500,000	\$200,000	2.9.20.
2. K.L. 4171	—	12 "	15.2.21	Procurement Spanish Missions.	80,000	80,000	14.9.20.
3. K.L. 102	Nathan Road	15 "	31.3.21	Kayamally & Co.	50,000	50,000	31.7.20.
4. H.K.L.L. 19,20,22 and 23.	Shamshuipo	32 houses	1.6.21	Li Ping.	100,000	84,000	18.9.20.
5. K.L. 615	Kimberley Road	12 flats	1.1.22	H. M. H. Nemazee	120,000	30,000	1.2.21.
6. Tai-po	Tai-po	1 house	completed	R. Baker	6,000	6,000	31.12.20.
7. LL 81	St. Paul's College	Hostel	"	Archbishop of Canterbury	50,000	50,000	14.7.20.
8. LL 59 & 579	Rear St. Joseph's College	Not known yet	Not known yet	Vicar Apostolic	75,000	nothing	—

Notes.—With the exception of items 7 and 8 these loans are being advanced in instalments as the buildings progress. I have given dates of advancing first instalments. Items 2 and 3 have had all their advances. The dates given for completion of the buildings are the dates agreed upon in the mortgages. They allow a few weeks grace beyond contract dates to cover unforeseen delays. The houses in Hart Avenue are not covered by Government loans and only 12 flats in Kimberley Road and 32 houses at Shamshuipo are recovered.



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## YACHTING.

## R.H.K.Y.C. CHAMPIONSHIP.

On Saturday last, the 13th inst., the sailing for the 7th Championship race over a course of Lyemun Beacon (P.), Kowloon Rock (S.) and Lyemun Beacon (S.) 9.2 miles in a fresh breeze moderating towards the end of the afternoon, produced some very close finishes.

In the Handicap class "Dorothea" won from "Diana" by 24 secs. "Alisa" took the lead for the first time in the race just on the finishing line and won from "Daphne" by a bare second. In the Heyward Hays "Ursula" saved her time from "Dawn" by 7 secs., but "Joan" secured a comfortable win for her second victory in the Gales class.

Following are the results—

CLASS—HANDICAP. (Start at 2.30 p.m.)			
H'cap on Course.	Cor.	Time.	
Diana.....	1'32"	4.48.36	
Rolla.....	1'32"	4.57.59	
Orion.....	3'04"	5.26.14	
Dorothea.....	5'22"	4.48.12	
Gladys.....	6'54"	4.53.19	
Sonia.....	6'54"	4.53.10	
Position. Race. Pts. Pre. Pts. to			
(2) Diana	5	30	35
(4) Rolla	3	25	28
(6) Orion	1	10	11
(1) Dorothea	7	30	37
(3) Gladys	4	12	16
(5) Sonia	2	20	22

CLASS—ONE DESIGN. (Start at 2.35 p.m.)			
H'cap on Course.	Cor.	Time.	
Alisa.....	scr.	5.28.34	
Bonito.....	scr.	5.49.03	
Daphne.....	scr.	5.28.35	
Haleyoon.....	scr.	5.43.00	
Position. Race. Pts. Pre. Pts. to			
(1) Alisa	5	23	28
(4) Bonito	1	12	13
(2) Daphne	3	19	22
(3) Haleyoon	2	8	10

CLASS—HEYWARD HAYS. (Start at 2.40 p.m.)			
H'cap on Course.	Cor.	Time.	
Ursula.....	1'21.8"	5.55.44	
Sirius.....	4'38"	D.N.E.	
Dawn.....	2'18"	5.55.51	
Lola.....	4'38"	D.N.F.	
Owl.....	9'12"	D.N.S.	
Position. Race. Pts. Pre. Pts. to			
(1) Ursula	6	25	31
(-) Sirius	-	8	8
(2) Dawn	4	26	30
(-) Lola	-	0	0
(-) Owl	-	0	0

CLASS—GAEL. (Start at 2.45 p.m.)			
H'cap on Corrected Course.	Time.		
Gael.....	0'46"	6.14.43	
Toinette.....	3'04"	6.10.28	
Joan.....	0'45"	6.04.10	
Thecla.....	2'18"	6.12.24	
Viking.....	scr.	6.12.24	
Position. Race. Pts. Pre. Pts. to			
(4) Gael	2	16	18
(2) Toinette	4	30	34
(1) Joan	6	20	26
(-) Thecla	-	2	2
(-) Viking	3	7	10

## BILLIARDS.

## OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP.

Last night's games in the second round of the open tournament for the Championship of the Colony, played at the Victoria Recreation Club before a large gathering, resulted in E. Guimaraes beating F. Ozorio, 500-412; and C. Botting defeating A. Tse, 500-480.

The best breaks of the evening were: Guimaraes, 42, 31, 24, 22, 19, 18, 16, 15, 14, 14; Ozorio, 25, 21, 19, 18, 16, 15, 12, 11; Botting, 30, 19, 17, 15, 14, 13, 13, 12, 12, 11; Tse, 35, 23, 22, 21, 17, 15, 13, 13, 12, 11, 11.

## HO KONG TONG CUPS.

Playing at the Palace Hotel last night, H. Davies (-150) beat C. W. Cheung (-300), 500-70. The best breaks were: Davies, 28, 18, 18, 18; Cheung, 26, 23, 18, 17, 15, 15, 15.

## TO-NIGHT'S GAMES.

6 p.m.—H. J. Jeffreys (-75) v. F. Shai Cheung (-150).  
9 p.m.—W. J. Drew (-100) v. W. Pitt (-300).

## THEATRE ROYAL.

## "THE PHARIES".

## PERFORMANCE TO-NIGHT.

So many wanted to attend last night's performance of "The Pharies" the clever entertainers of H.M.S. "Titanic" at the Theatre Royal, that there was not room for them all. Quite a number had to be turned away. Accordingly it was decided at the last minute to give a third performance to-night, and it is anticipated there will again be a crowded house.

The performances are for the benefit of the dependents of the men who perished in the recent loss of the submarine K5. Judged by the size of the audience each night and the generous response in the purchase of programmes, a very substantial contribution will be the result.

Last night's performance was witnessed by H. E. the Governor, Sir R. E. Stubbs; H. E. the Commander-in-Chief, Vice-Admiral Sir A. Duff; the General Officer Commanding H. M. Forces, Sir G. M. Kirkpatrick; Commodore Bowden Smith and many others of prominence. The programme was carried out with zest, and in every way, was a complete success, the audience being kept happily entertained from beginning to end.

## LOCAL WEDDING.

## TIRAN-MERLETTE.

St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road, was the scene of a pretty wedding this afternoon when the Rev. Father Augustine officiated at the marriage of Mr. G. Tiran to Miss M. Merlette. The bride, who was given away by M. Cayrou de Cotte, Manager of the Far East Oxygen Co., was attended by Miss Lily Gaillard, as bridesmaid. The bridegroom had as best man M. R. Geoffroy, of the Banque Industrielle de Chine.

The bride wore a charming dress of white tulle, trimmed with long chenille fringe, with a train of lace. The bridesmaid wore a pretty salmon pink net dress. A reception at the Helena May Institute was to be followed by a dinner at the Hongkong Hotel.

## FOOTBALL.

## 2ND DIVISION RESULTS.

Below are the results of the 2nd Division League up to and including February 12, 1921.

Owing to the Club de Recreio not being able to field a team they have resigned from the league as from the 1st February, 1921. The league carries on as it is minus the points for the games the Clubs have won against the Recreio since the league started—

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
R.G.A. Res.	13	10	2	1	47	12	22
St. Joseph's	11	9	1	1	33	7	19
United	12	7	1	4	24	24	15
Oilers United	13	6	3	4	24	16	15
Santa China	14	7	1	6	28	21	15
Kowloon	13	4	5	4	22	19	13
"Carisle"	10	5	1	4	18	11	11
Indians	14	5	0	9	17	32	10
Staffs	11	3	2	6	17	21	8
Club Res.	13	3	0	10	13	23	6
Punjabis	14	2	0	12	11	68	4

## CRICKET.

## C.S.C.C. v. WILTS.

The following will represent the Civil Service in their home League match against the 2nd Wilt's Regt., on Saturday, at 2.15 p.m.—G. R. Sayer (captain), E. W. Hamilton, E. B. Reed, R. E. O. Bird, H. E. Strange, F. J. Ling, Claud Severn, A. R. Sutherland, F. J. de Rome, R. C. Wittichell, and W. H. Edmonds. Reserve: E. F. Fincher.

## LADIES' GOLF.

## CUP COMPETITION.

Miss Healing has presented a cup for competition among lady golfers of Hongkong, which will be played for over the Old Course at Fanling, against Boey, on Tuesday, March 22. Players are to arrange their own opponents. Post entries.

## BUNGALOW CASE.

## COURT VIEWS PROPERTY.

## A QUESTION OF CRACKS.

The hearing of the suit of the Rev. Father Henriques against George Frederic Lam for damages alleged to have been done to the plaintiff's property in Ho Mun Tin by the building of the defendant's bungalow on the adjoining lot reached the stage this morning where it was deemed advisable for the Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice Wood, before whom the case is being heard, to view the property.

Accordingly shortly after 11 o'clock, Court was adjourned, and His Lordship and the solicitors and experts in the case crossed to Kowloon and at 11.20 took motor cars to Ho Mun Tin.

The suit is for \$205. It is alleged by the plaintiff that the failure of the defendant to take proper precautions in the building of his bungalow caused a subsidence of the soil in the plaintiff's lot, with the result that his fence wall and compound were damaged. The defendant claims that the damage was caused by a natural settlement of the "made" ground on which the plaintiff's bungalow was built, against which the plaintiff had failed to make sufficient provision.

Mr. D. J. Lewis, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, appears for the plaintiff; Mr. M. K. Lo, of Messrs. Lo and Lo, for the defendant.

At the opening of the Court this morning Mr. Lo said that since the session of the Court yesterday the plaintiff's property had been inspected by Mr. A. G. Hewitt, architect for the defendant, and Mr. Robert Baker, engineer to the Kowloon-Canton Railway, both of whom had testified yesterday. They had found cracks in a wall other than that which was the subject of the action, as well as cracks in the other side of the house. "There were cracks all over the place," said Mr. Lo.

His Lordship: That puts an entirely different complexion on the whole matter. Mr. Lo: Entirely.

His Lordship: I think you had better call evidence. Mr. Lo then suggested that His Lordship view the property; that he could arrange to have cars on the other side for the Court and solicitors to visit the site and see for themselves. This was agreed to.

Mr. Lo said that he desired to produce evidence that the north boundary wall on the plaintiff's land was cracked, practically at the dividing point between the "made" and natural land, and also that there were cracks in the walls of the north building.

Mr. Baker, recalled, said that he had inspected the property this morning. He found a crack against one of the buttresses in the north wall similar to that in the east wall. The crack was not quite as wide open as the other on the east wall, presumably because the pressure on the subsoil was only about half that of the east wall, being but half its height.

Mr. Lo: Did you make a calculation of the weight on the subsoil of the north wall?

Mr. Baker said the pressure of the north wall was about 645 pounds to the square foot, compared with about 1,002 pounds for the east wall.

Mr. Lo: Did you make an inspection of the walls of the building facing this north wall—Mr. Baker: I made a casual inspection. I saw cracks. They did not go from top to bottom, but there were vertical cracks.

Mr. Hewitt, recalled, said that he had inspected the property last night, and again this morning.

Mr. Lo: What did you find? Mr. Hewitt: I found the north wall cracked through in front of one of the buttresses of the wall, about 4 or 5 feet to the west of the northwest corner of the building.

Did you inspect the wall of the bungalow facing the north wall?—Yes.

Carefully?—Yes. I found three or four cracks in the wall above the window heads in the north wall of the north building.

The testimony also was heard of Lau Pui Kai, the contractor who had done the construction work, after which the Court went to view the site.

At yesterday's hearing, Mr. G. G. Wood, civil engineer, testified that in his opinion the weight of the defendant's building had had more to do with the subsidence of the ground than soakage by rain. He thought there had been negligence.

Mr. A. G. Hewitt, architect, who testified, said he did not agree that there had been negligence. Nine times out of ten, the work would be done in the same way.

Mr. Lewis: And the chances would be taken. It is taking chances that had caused damage all over Ho Mun Tin? The Witness: There has been trouble all over Ho Mun Tin. It is due to the nature of the soil. If you build on "filling" you take certain risks; everybody knows that.

Mr. Robert Baker, engineer, to the Kowloon-Canton Railway, said he knew the soil of Ho Mun Tin very well, and had considerable acquaintance with the soil of the country. The soil of this part of China took much longer to consolidate than that of other countries. If "made" soil was not rammed, it would not be safe to build on it in less than five

## SPECIAL CABLES.

## BRITISH WOMEN.

## PROPOSED ASSOCIATION.

## IMPORTANT MEETING.

## [CHINA MAIL SPECIAL.]

SHANGHAI, Feb. 17.

An important preliminary meeting of the proposed British Women's Association will be held on Friday, Lady Fraser presiding. Great results are expected in the direction of banding together British women.

## MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

## CHINESE ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

## RENEWED AGITATION.

## [CHINA MAIL SPECIAL.]

SHANGHAI, Feb. 17.

Signs of renewed agitation are discernible in connection with the Chinese advisory committee of the Municipal Council. The Chinese Ratepayers' Association, in a letter to street unions, dwells on the Council's rejection of their nominees owing to lack of qualifications, and declares that it cannot remain calm. No silence can be maintained. It urges pressure on the Council to elicit a definite pronouncement.

## FAMINE FUND.

## SPECIAL DAY OF PRAYER.

## ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH.

In response to a request from the Peking Government a special day of prayer will be observed on Sunday in St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon. H. E. the Governor will attend the morning service at 11 a.m., while the Lord Bishop of Victoria will preach at the evening service at 6 p.m. The offertories at both services will be given to the Famine Fund.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Pacific Mail liner "Equador" which arrived here yesterday has gone to Taikoo for general overhaul.

Mr. Ricou of the Macao Aerial Co. made his first flight from Macao to Canton on Monday, completing the journey there and back in 1 hour 45 min. General Huang Ching and Mrs. Huang, Dr. and Madame Rossi and Lt.-Col. F. Hayley Bell, Commissioner of Customs, were passengers.

The Bishop of Victoria and the Rev. H. Copley Moyle will be "at home" to all those interested in the work of the Diocese on Tuesday, March 15, at the Cathedral Hall, 4.30 to 6 p.m. At 5 o'clock the Bishop will open a brief conference on the work of the Diocese.

The Chinese youth yesterday remanded by Magistrate Orme on a charge of swindling a young widow living in Wyndham Street of \$220 worth of jewellery, was this morning sentenced to six months' imprisonment with hard labour. Inspector Willis reported that Mr. G. R. Hayward's shroff whom the accused had summoned as his witness was very indignant that he should be called and refused to attend Court.

"THE PHARIES" are giving another Performance, this evening, at the same hour, in the CITY HALL.—Adv.

years, and even then more subsidence would take place. In parts of Ho Mun Tin solid rock would not be reached until 35 feet of filling had been excavated, and then 35 feet more of the original swamp.

Replying to Mr. Lewis, Mr. Baker criticised the construction of the plaintiff's boundary wall, the damage to which forms a part of the suit. He said the buttresses were a weight on the wall and not a support. The wall, without broader foundations, was too heavy for the soil.

Mr. Lewis showed a photograph of a wall with no lateral support on one side, which he said was standing well.

Mr. Baker: It's a very interesting case; I should like to see it. I wonder the building authority passed it. It would not do for a railway; it is not engineering.

## ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH.

## MEN'S ASSOCIATION.

## ENJOYABLE CONCERT LAST NIGHT.

St. Andrew's Church Hall was crowded last evening on the occasion of a concert held under the auspices of the Men's Association which has been formed in connection with the Church. An excellent and varied programme was arranged and its presentation was very popular. The details are given below:

Glee, H.M.S. "Colombo" Glee Party: Comic Song, P. Carroll, Royal Marines; Recitation, Mr. Pricke; Song, "A life that lives for you" (Sullivan), Mr. W. R. Crowe; Song, "Hatfield Bells" (Easchope Maria), Mrs. D. W. Salter; Comedy Duos, Lena and Tado; Glee, H.M.S. "Colombo" Glee Party; Impersonations of famous comedians, Mr. Cyril Alan; Song, "At Santa Barbara" (Kennedy Russell), Mr. R. R. Beecham; Song, "It is only a tiny garden" (Hady Wood), Miss L. Pricke; Song, "The Arrow and the Song" (Balle), Mr. E. T. Crocker; Glee, H.M.S. "Colombo" Glee Party.

The accompanists were Mr. J. Caffyn, R.N., Mr. R. R. Beecham, and Capt. H. Fogg.

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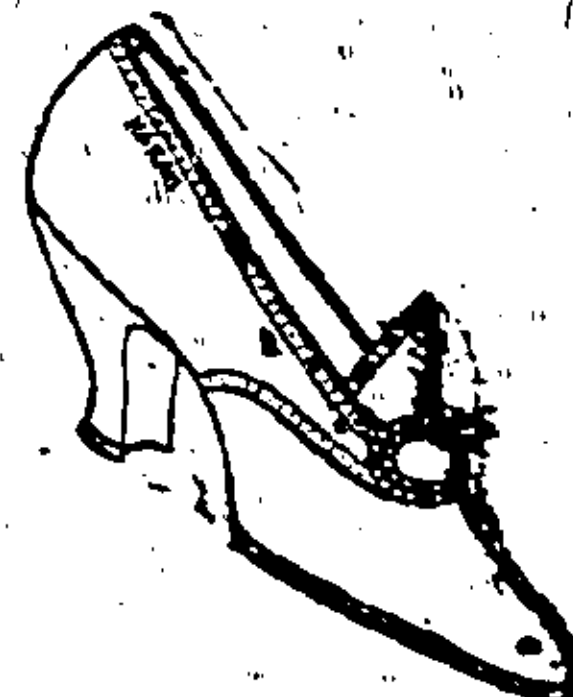
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Had ever language of this kind been addressed to the Government of any European Sovereign State since the Papacy ceased to speak as the Censor of Europe?

It forms part of a telegram addressed on 30th November last by the Council of the League of Nations to the Prime Ministers of France, Great Britain, Italy and Japan, reminding them of two previous communications in which the Council asked to be furnished with these Powers' proposals in time to report upon them to the Geneva Assembly. The remainder is almost equally sharp in tone.

Such straight talk did credit to the Council as a loyal interpreter of the essential principles of the Covenant. Significant, too, was the recognition that the public opinion of the world, outside of the Foreign Offices, is strongly moved, and that such a fact is appealed to as a corrective of diplomatic chicanery. In respect of no part of the Covenant or of the Treaty does the conduct of the principal Allies present an aspect more suggestive of a desire to evade plain commitments. In a memorandum transmitted by this Council to the Assembly on the 6th of December, when they were still without the text of any Mandates it is noted that Article 22 of the Covenant lays down two essential principles which apply to all peoples not yet able to stand by themselves who have ceased to be under the sovereignty of the State which formerly governed them. (1) It is a sacred trust of civilisation to assure the well-being and development of these peoples. (2) To ensure the performance of this trust the Covenant stipulates certain guarantees: the tutelage of such peoples will be entrusted to the nations which, by reason of their resources, their experience, or their geographical position, can best undertake this responsibility. They will exercise this tutelage as Mandatories on behalf of the League. So far, good; but neutral members of the Assembly at Geneva were by no means prepared to assent to the Council's interpretations of the provisions of the Covenant and the Treaty in this connection. A further passage of the same memorandum maintained that the right to allot the Mandates belonged to the principal Allied and Associated Powers, because, though Article 22 makes no provision as to who should do this, Article 119 of the Treaty transfers the sovereignty over the late German colonies to those Powers, and Article 118 stipulates that steps should be taken by the Powers to carry into effect the full consequences of Article 119. This inference was not accepted by a good many neutral delegates and expert jurists in the Assembly. It is of course, not accepted by Germany, who has protested against it, the counter argument being that the Covenant and the Treaty are one, and that, as the Covenant contemplates that the Mandatories shall be agents of and responsible to the League, it is implied that the steps to be taken by the Powers should have been steps to procure such designation. The point is important, for if mandates are assigned, who is, if necessary, to revoke and reassign them as the mandate to King Leopold for the Congo State was revoked and reassigned? But it was obviously not to be hoped that the self-mandated Powers would pay the slightest heed to any argument on it, so that no such principle could be asserted by the Assembly which must be unanimous. Unless the rights of sovereignty are expressly transferred to the League, the Mandatories, it would therefore appear, are permanently secure in their position and will not be removable by the League for any failure or breach of trust. It will take a new war to do that. The authority of the League over its Mandatories will thus be exclusively moral and suasive. What a commentary on President Wilson's plan: "We are done with annexations."

Dissect was still more acute over the meaning of the words, "The degree of authority, etc., to be exercised by the Mandatory shall, if not previously agreed upon by the members of the League, be explicitly defined in each case by the Council." This sentence was brought out ready-framed by Mr. Wilson from the Supreme Council to the Commission then sitting to deal with and advise on the question of the future government of these territories. The Commission did not discuss it; but apparently took it at its face value, namely, as meaning that the Assembly should have the right to determine the terms of the Mandates. Evidently, Lord Robert Cecil, who was on that Commission, so understood it, for he asserted that view in Parliament. The Council, however, decided that the right reading should be as follows: "The degree of authority, control or administration to be exercised by the Mandatory, shall, if not previously agreed upon by those signatories of the Treaty of Versailles who are Members of the League of Nations, be explicitly defined by the Council." One wonders what the observations of any judge would be on such a proposed substitution.

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However, as it is, these signatories are in default, and Mr. Balfour has now informed the Assembly that the Council will keep in its own hands all powers with regard to Mandates. The Assembly had to swallow this decision. It is at any rate preferable from the point of view of League policy, to the previous situation, which was that the Mandatory Powers, or one or more of them, were juggling at the notion of framing any Mandates at all. The Council has laid it down that full administrative and legislative power shall belong to the Mandatory, that he shall supervise the suppression of the slave and of the control of arms and munitions. He shall forbid the supply of alcohol to the Natives and shall present an annual report to the League. But the Council was not permitted to communicate any Mandate to the Assembly and only the text of certain "A" and "C" Mandates to the Special Commissions on Mandates under seal of secrecy. Such are the "open covenants" which we get from the signatories of the Pact.

The suspicion that the self-appointed Mandatories have manoeuvred to burke the whole matter until the Assembly should be safely got through is one for which the Powers concerned have themselves to thank. The appendices to the Council's Report allow two causes of the delay to transpire: (1) That the French Government making reservations as to recruiting of native troops in the mandated areas, ignoring the stipulation of Article 22 as to military training of natives. (2) That Japan was protesting against her exclusion from equal opportunities in Northern New Guinea, her position being worse under the "C" Mandate assigned to Australia than it was when this territory was German.

And now—during the Assembly—a long shot has come from Washington claiming that, as the Government of the United States is one of the assignees of these territories under Article 119, it must have its say in the settlement of the Mandates, both to ensure equal freedom of trade and to guarantee this principle of trusteeship. Great Britain has herself to thank for this suspicion by reason of her action over "Nauru," and also for the suspicion that she does not want to have Mandates, so, particularly the essentials of slavery as to reflect upon her retrogression to the policy of forced labour in East Africa, or such Free Trade in Togoland and the Cameroons as would maintain an enclave in her area of monopolistic policy in regard to palm kernels.

And, finally, the whole business is suspect and the judgment of common opinion on the question has become cynical because, whereas Mr. Balfour's and President Wilson's preliminary assurances, and the literal terms of the Covenant, announce a perfectly consistent and intelligible new policy—that of self-determination, of a trust of civilisation in the interests of the indigenous peoples, the abstention from their exploitation, the abrogation of their military use or of the commercial monopoly of their territories, and the principle that a Mandatory is to be chosen because he is in a position to use his own resources in aid of these purposes—nothing whatever has been heard all these months of the interests of the native peoples, but everything has been dealt with from the standpoint of the interests of this or that Power in the acquisition of territory, the protection of its own trade and the exploitation of the resources of the Mandated area. Who that took Mr. Lloyd George's pre-Armistice utterances, President Wilson's introductory panegyric and the phrases of the Covenant seriously, can ever forget our Prime Minister's double-barrelled repudiation of them when he explained that Northern Syria had to be given to France, and Mosul to ourselves, in part compensation for our respective efforts and sacrifices?

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SEIKYO MARU ... 9,000 ... April 2nd.

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## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

## BRITISH ADMIRAL FETTERED.

ANAPOLIS, February 16th.  
The British Admiral Lewis Bayly received an ovation at the Midshipmen Naval Academy when he spoke praising the splendid co-operation of American and British fleets in the war. Although the visit was unofficial Admiral Bayly was received with the Admiral's salute and a band paraded in his honour.

Admiral Bayly will be entertained at a banquet in New York by 150 American naval officers with whom he co-operated in the most cordial manner in the war. A formidable and five seaplanes escorted the vessel, on which Admiral Bayly arrived from Colon, up New York Bay.

## WIRELESS ACHIEVEMENT.

NEW YORK, February 16th.  
Telephone conversations on a ship in the Atlantic and Catalina Island off California have been successfully accomplished through the combination of wireless and wire across the United States.

## SIGNOR CARUSO DYING.

NEW YORK, February 16th.  
Signor Caruso, who burst a blood-vessel, while singing, is believed to be dying. After a relapse last night extreme unction was administered.

## MANDATES COMMISSION.

LONDON, February 16th.  
A number of representatives of feminists have sent a letter to the Press urging that at least one woman be included in the Mandates Commission appointed by the Council of the League of Nations in view of the questions affecting women and children.

## M. POINCARÉ.

PARIS, February 16th.  
M. Poincaré has been elected President of the Senate Foreign Affairs Committee. He received 18 to the 10 votes cast for the outgoing President.

## FOURTH TEST MATCH.

MELBOURNE, February 15th.  
Australia made 211 runs for 2 wickets and declared. Australia thus won by 8 wickets. Ryder made 52 unfinished and Gregory 76 unfinished for Australia.

## U.S. NAVAL PROGRAMME.

NEW YORK, February 16th.  
The House of Representatives has passed the 1915 naval construction programme, with the amendment that none of the money voted should be spent on ships not now constructing or for which contracts have not been signed; thus preventing the building of six battleships and a number of destroyers.

## DISORDERLY SAILORS.

## MAGISTRATE'S WARNING.

## JAIL WITHOUT OPTION OF FINE.

That drunken sailors who cause trouble ashore will in future have to go to jail without the option of a fine if brought before him was the warning given by Magistrate Orme at the Magistrate's Court this morning when ordering Robert Macgregor, a seaman of H.M.S. "Hawkins" to pay a fine of \$20 or serve ten days' hard labour on charges of (1) having been drunk and disorderly, and acting in a riotous manner in Spring Garden Lane on the night of February 12, and (2) having caused damage to a door of one of the houses to the extent of \$2.

The defendant admitted that he was drunk, but said that while he would not deny the other charges he could not enter any plea as he did not remember what happened.

Sergeant Shafton, of No. 2, Police Station, said that about 9 p.m. on the 12th a girl came to the station and reported that a sailor was creating a disturbance in the lane. The witness went there and saw the defendant throwing stones into one of the houses. Attempts to persuade the defendant to enter a plea and go away failed. Defendant, who used very filthy language grasped witness by the legs and tried to throw him. Consequently witness had to draw his truncheon and hit the defendant on the head before he could quieten him. The large stone produced was alleged by the girls to have been hurled by the defendant into the house, damaging a door. This sort of thing was becoming common in Wanchai. Hitherto the police had settled such cases out of Court by asking the defendants to pay compensation, but lately these people had got into the habit of assaulting the police. Consequently the latter were forced to take the cases to Court as a protection to themselves. Only recently the Magistrate had a couple of cases of a similar character before him.

The Magistrate said that in the recent case before him he had dealt with the defendant leniently because he was not aware then that it was not the first case of the kind in the district.

The P. & O. S. "Kymala" left Singapore for this port on Feb. 16 at 5 p.m. with the outward English Mail, and is due on 21 inst. at about 5 p.m.

The C.P. S. B.M.S. "Empress of Asia" left Vancouver for Hongkong via ports, Shanghai and Manila, on Feb. 10, and is due at Yokohama on or about Feb. 23.

The C.P. S. B.M.S. "Montpelier" left Vancouver for Hongkong via Japan ports and Shanghai on Feb. 10 and is due at Yokohama on or about Feb. 23.

## FUNERAL.

MR. J. H. GARDINER.

## LARGE ATTENDANCE.

The funeral of the late Mr. J. H. Gardiner, solicitor, took place at the Protestant Cemetery, Happy Valley, yesterday evening, and was largely attended. The gathering was cosmopolitan, being representative of the European, Portuguese, Chinese and Indian communities of Hongkong—ample testimony, if such were needed, of the high popularity and esteem the deceased enjoyed in Hongkong.

The remains were brought from the deceased's residence, No. 3, Rose Terrace, Kowloon, by launch, and at the Observation Pier were transferred to the cortege.

Immediately behind the hearse walked the chief mourners, Mr. William Barker, Captain and Mrs. Wheeler, Mrs. Morrison (nurse), Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Brumby, Mrs. Leo d'Almada, Mr. W. Logan, Mr. W. S. Brown, Mr. A. R. Lowe, Mr. C. L. Low, Mr. D. O. da Silva, Messrs. T. Rowan and Lee Hon Chee, solicitors of the deceased's firm, and his Chinese staff.

At the Monument the procession was joined by a large number of mourners among whom were the following members of the legal profession: The Acting Chief Justice (the Hon. Mr. H. H. Gompertz), the Puisne Judge (Mr. J. R. Wood), the Attorney-General (Mr. J. H. Kemp), the Hon. Mr. E. H. Sharp, K.C., Mr. F. C. Jenkin, Mr. C. G. Alabaster, Mr. G. H. Wakeman, Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton, Mr. C. F. Mason, Mr. D. H. Blake, Mr. Leo d'Almada, Mr. A. H. Crew, Mr. D. J. Lewis, Mr. C. B. Johnson, Mr. A. E. Hall, Mr. J. M. Hall, Mr. F. E. Nash, Mr. C. H. Lyson, Mr. M. J. D. Stephens, Mr. M. K. Lo, Mr. M. W. Lo, Mr. H. K. Woo, and other solicitors.

There were also present the heads of various local business houses, officials of the Supreme Court and the Magistracy, Inspector Angus and representatives of the Police Force, Capt. Stevens and Messrs. J. H. Seth and Harold Seth. The general public brought up the rear.

The coffin was met at the gates of the cemetery by the Rev. V. H. Copley Moyle who led the procession to the graveside where a very impressive burial service was read.

After the grave had been filled in, a profusion of wreaths, numbering well over a hundred, were piled up on the deceased's last resting place.

The floral tributes included wreaths from: "His sorrowing wife," "Dan," Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Brumby, Capt. and Mrs. Wheeler, Frank and Annie Wheeler, Mr. W. Logan, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Wolff, Mr. D. Logan and "his old friend," Mr. C. L. Low, His Hon. Mr. H. H. Gompertz (Chief Justice), Sir Boshan Wei Yuk, Mr. H. M. H. Nemazee, Messrs. Eldon Potter, F. C. Jenkin, F. X. d'Almada, J. M. Hall, G. R. Haywood, H. C. Lee, T. Rowan, C. H. Lyson, F. E. Nash, C. F. Mason, D. V. C. Stevenson, J. Scott Harton, Messrs. Deacon, Looker, Deacon and Harton, Messrs. Hastings and Hastings, Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, Messrs. Dennis and Bowley, Messrs. Geo. K. Hall Brutton & Co., Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, Messrs. Lo and Lo, Messrs. Ramsay & Co., Messrs. A. B. Moulder & Co., Mr. G. R. Haywood's staff, the Chinese staff of Mr. J. H. Gardiner's firm, the Christian Mutual Improvement Society, Messrs. A. Ewai & Co., Messrs. M. Mohideen & Co., Messrs. H. Rutonjee and Son, the Palace Motor Co., Messrs. Lammert Bros., Messrs. A. Sheung & Co., the staff of the Supreme Court, and the bailiffs of the Supreme Court. The Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak and Mrs. Holyoak, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Dutton, Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Hearnley, Mrs. B. Brotherton Harker, Miss Laura Maria da Souza, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. W. Kew and family, Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Yung, Mr. and Mrs. Leo d'Almada, Mr. and Mrs. Wicheil, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Taggart, Mr. and Mrs. Liang Kin Han, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Seth, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. N. Mody, Mr. and Mrs. F. Smyth, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Jeffries, Mr. and Mrs. A. el Arculli, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Oxberry, Mrs. She Tat Tsoi and family, Mrs. Lai Chi Chin and godson, Mrs. and Miss Endell Rosser, Mrs. Ng Quinn and family, Dr. Asger, Inspector H. Pearson, Messrs. H. A. Nisbet, E. F. Ascott, L. E. Lammert, Henry S. Hall, Richard F. Brayn, H. Dreyer, E. B. Reed, A. G. Hewitt, W. L. Weiser, F. W. Quark, Harold Seth, M. W. Stevens, R.A.O.C., H. Percy Smith, G. C. Moxon, H. W. Ray, E. H. Ray, G. Harper, W. L. Ford, F. A. Chopard, H. V. Beaupaire, James C. Frewin, L. C. Parker Rees, D. A. Caldwell, C. E. Warren, T. H. G. Brayfield, H. R. Phelps, H. A. Lammert, F.

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## COMPANY MEETING.

UNION WATERBOAT CO., LTD.

The 16th ordinary annual meeting of shareholders in the Union Waterboat Co., Ltd., was held this morning at 11 o'clock in the offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd. Mr. G. M. Dodwell, the Chairman, presided, and there were present Messrs. R. G. Shewan, A. O. Lang, S. Yasuda, and A. E. Crapnell, members of the Consulting Committee; Mr. C. Gerken, secretary; and the following shareholders, Messrs. Ezra G. R. Edwards, M. S. Northcott, W. Van Epps, and Mr. Ellis.

The Secretary having read the notice convening the meeting, The Chairman said: Gentlemen, The Report and Accounts having been in your possession for some days, I will, with your permission, take them as read. The profit on trading for the year under review amounts to \$59,005.01, a satisfactory increase over that of the previous year, and including interest and dividends on investments, and the carry forward from last year, there is an amount available for allocation of \$76,217.96.

There has been a heavy demand for water during the year and the Company's fleet has had to work constant overtime in order to cope with it. This has meant that, whilst the boats have been kept in good running condition, there has been little or no opportunity of laying up the older ones for a thorough overhaul. At the last annual meeting your attention was called to the fact that certain extraordinary expenses would probably be incurred in this connection in the near future. A new waterboat was completed and put into commission in November last and, with this addition to the Fleet, your Superintendent considers that he will at last be able to lay up an older boat from time to time for the necessary repairs, replating, etc. I may mention that No. 3 waterboat is at the present moment being slipped for survey. These older boats will then be good for many years more of useful service. It is with this object in view that your General Managers and Consulting Committee have recommended a transfer to Special Repairs Fund of \$9,043.32, bringing it up to a total of \$30,000.00. Ordinary repairs can always be met out of current revenue, but it is advisable to have a substantial reserve to fall back upon when one is faced with the probability of having to incur extraordinary expenses of this nature.

One other item in the Report calls for some explanatory remarks, and that is the recommendation to transfer to Insurance Fund a sum of \$10,400.00, bringing it up to a total of \$30,000. This fund, I might remind you, originated in the days when the Company was still operating a few old wooden vessels on which insurance could not be effected except at prohibitive rates. It is thought advisable to increase this fund now to the above figure for the following reasons: Five of the Company's vessels are of considerable age and insurance cannot be effected for more than about \$22,000 on each vessel. In the event of loss, through typhoon or accident, the cost of replacing by a new building of a similar type stands to-day in the neighbourhood of \$60,000. By good fortune and careful supervision during the typhoon season any such loss to the fleet has been avoided in the past, but it is a contingency for which your General Managers and Consulting Committee consider due and sufficient provision should be made in your reserves.

I think you will agree, gentlemen, that with the allocations to reserve as recommended for these special purposes, your Company will stand in a very sound position and need fear no embarrassment if called upon to face contingencies of the nature I have pointed out to you as possible. I now beg to propose that the Report and Accounts as circulated be adopted. After this has been seconded I shall be pleased to answer to the best of my ability any question shareholders may desire to ask. Mr. Ezra: I have much pleasure in recommending the adoption of the reports and accounts. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Chairman: The only other business is the election of an auditor for the ensuing year. Mr. G. R. Edwards proposed, and Mr. A. O. Lang seconded, the election of Mr. C. Bernard Brown, A.C.A., as auditor at a remuneration of \$300. Carried unanimously. The Chairman: That is all the business. I thank you for your attendance. Dividend warrants are ready and may be had on application.

Lammert, C. D. Melbourne, J. F. Grose, C. R. da Rosa, J. M. P. da Silva, C. F. V. Ribeiro, A. U. da Souza, M. A. Razak, R. Pestonji, M. Baptista, A. J. M. Gomes, T. Henry Young, Ng Wah, Pun Tat Ming, Lam Chak Ming, Hung Hong Chuen, Che Chan Lau, Young Hee, Fung Tat Hang, So Shek Chung, Chan Sap Chiu, Woo King Ping, Wong Kien Ki, L. A. Chanson, Lo Wa Kan, Ip Kin Shing, A. V. Young, Au Toz Hi, Chan Yuk Shan, Wong Siu Woon, Chan Shik, Pun Yun Tong, Wo Po Keung, Wong Kam Fuk, S. A. B. Bux, M. Hussain, Mota Singh, Oyager Singh, Deva Singh, and Kher Singh.

## BANK REPORT.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

The 105th report of the Court of Directors to the ordinary yearly meeting of Shareholders to be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on Saturday, February 26, 1921, at noon. To the Proprietors of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

Gentlemen,—The Directors have now to submit to you a General Statement of the affairs of the Bank, and Balance Sheet for the year ending December 31, 1920.

The net profits for that period, including \$3,262,847.20, balance brought forward from last account, after paying all charges, deducting interest paid and due, and making provision for bad and doubtful accounts and contingencies, amount to \$12,104,013.50.

During the year an addition of £1,000,000 was made to the Sterling Reserve, \$3,528,411.76 of the Silver Reserve being employed for that purpose at exchange of 5/8 per Dollar. The Sterling Reserve now stands at \$2,500,000.

The Directors recommend the transfer of \$2,029,411.76 from the Profit and Loss Account to credit of the Silver Reserve, which will then stand at \$21,500,000.

They also recommend writing off Bank Premises Account the sum of \$1,000,000.

After making these transfers, deducting the Interim Dividend of £3 per share, paid on August 9 last, viz.—£360,000 at 3/8=£1,963,636.36, and remuneration to Directors, there remains for appropriation \$7,080,965.38, out of which the Directors recommend the payment of a Final Dividend of Three Pounds Sterling per Share, viz., £360,000, and a Bonus of Two Pounds Sterling per Share, viz., £240,000, amounting in all to £600,000 which at 3/2, the rate of the day, will absorb \$3,789,473.69.

The Balance \$3,291,491.69 to be carried to New Profit and Loss Account.

Sterling and Other Gold Securities have been written down to prices ruling on December 31, 1920, and the depreciation in the £1578,947 7s. 5d. 5% War Loan has been provided for out of the current profits of the year.

The Sterling equivalents of the various accounts are shown at 3/2, the rate ruling on the last day of the year.

## DIRECTORS.

Mr. G. T. M. Edkins has been elected Chairman for the year 1921, and Mr. G. M. Dodwell, Deputy Chairman.

The Honourable Mr. S. H. Dodwell, Mr. C. S. Gubbay, Mr. J. W. C. Bonnar and Mr. Ross Thomson having resigned their seats on leaving the Colony, Mr. G. M. Dodwell, Mr. A. S. Gubbay, Mr. G. T. M. Edkins and Mr. A. O. Lang were invited to fill the vacancies.

These appointments require confirmation at this Meeting.

The Honourable Mr. E. V. D. Parr, Mr. A. H. Compton and the Honourable Mr. P. H. Holyoak retire in rotation, but being eligible for re-election, offer themselves accordingly.

## AUDITORS.

The Accounts have been audited by Mr. F. Maitland and Mr. E. A. M. Williams, who offer themselves for re-election.

E. V. D. PARR, Chairman.

Hongkong, February 15, 1921.

## ABSTRACT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES DECEMBER 31, 1920.

		LIABILITIES.	
		Sterling Equivalent	Dollars
Paid-up Capital	£ 2,375,000 0 0	\$15,000,000.00	
Sterling Reserve	2,500,000 0 0	15,789,473.67	
Silver Reserve	3,062,843 2 9	19,470,588.24	
Marine Insurance Account	39,583 6 8	250,000.00	
Notes in Circulation:—			
(Authorised and Additional Issue against Securities and Coin deposited with the Crown Agents for the Colonies, their Trustees, and the Hongkong Government)			
Current Accounts	4,644,337 10 4	29,332,658.00	
Fixed Deposits	53,316,418 6 9	336,735,273.71	
Bills Payable	18,102,301 9 10	114,330,325.22	
(Including Call Loans and Short Sight Drawings on London Office and Drafts on London Bankers)			
Acceptances on Account of Constituents	1,002,226 16 9	6,329,853.71	
Profit and Loss Account	1,181,401 19 5	7,461,486.13	
	1,600,809 14 3	10,110,377.14	
	£87,844,922 6 9	\$554,810,035.82	

Liability on Bills of Exchange rediscounted, £16,276,773.13 of which £13,331,106.13 have since run off.

		ASSETS.	
		Sterling Equivalent	Dollars
Cash (including \$15,500,000 Coin lodged with the Hongkong Government against authorised and/or excess note circulation)			
Bullion in hand and in transit	£19,651,333 9 10	\$124,113,685.22	
British Government, Indian, Colonial and other Securities (including Sterling Reserve Investments, £1578,947 7s. 5d. 5% War Loan 1920/1947 @ 95 = £1,500,000)	5,125,627 16 1	32,372,336.11	
Bills Discounted, Loans and Credits	25,615,132 9 4	161,779,784.00	
Bills Receivable	34,096,829 11 9	215,342,081.62	
Liabilities of Constituents for acceptances, per contra	1,181,401 19 5	7,461,486.13	
Bank Premises	1,283,924 3 8	8,108,994.85	
	£87,844,922 6 9	\$554,810,035.82	

## GENERAL PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT, DECEMBER 31, 1920.

		DEBIT.	
		Sterling Equivalent	Dollars
360,000 0 0	To Interim Dividend:—		
	Paid on August 9, 1920 £3/- per Share on 120,000 Shares=£360,000 @ 3/8=	1,963,636.36	
4,750 0 0	Remuneration to Directors	30,000.00	
360,000 0 0	Final Dividend:—		
	£3/- per Share on 120,000 Shares = £360,000, at 3/2 =	\$2,278,684.21	
240,000 0 0	Bonus of £2 per Share on 120,000 Shares = £240,000 at 3/2 =	1,515,789.48	
		\$3,789,473.69	
321,323 10 7	Transfer to Silver Reserve	2,029,411.76	
158,333 6 8	Transfer to Bank Premises Account	1,000,000.00	
521,152 17 1	Balance forward to next year	3,291,491.69	
		10,110,377.14	
£1,965,559 14 4		\$12,104,013.50	

## DAIRY FARM NEWS.

## FROZEN SMOKED FISH

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NEW OVERCOATS,  
NEW COSTUMES,  
NEW CORSETS.

## FOR GENTS

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NEW SHIRTS,  
NEW PYJAMAS,  
NEW TIES,  
NEW GLOVES,  
NEW HANDKERCHIEFS.WHITEAWAY, LAIDLAW & CO., LTD.  
HONGKONG.

		CREDIT.	
		Sterling Equivalent	Dollars
516,617 9 6	By Balance of Undivided Profits, Dec. 31, 1919, @ 4/10 (rate of 12/12/19) =	\$3,262,847.20	
	By Amount of Net Profits for the year ending Dec. 31, 1920, after making provision for bad and doubtful debts and contingencies, deducting all Expenses and Interest paid and due	8,841,166.30	
1,448,942 4 10	Interim Dividend £360,000 paid at 3/8 per contra	12,104,013.50	
£1,965,559 14 4		\$12,104,013.50	

		STERLING RESERVE.	
		Sterling	Dollars
To Balance		\$2,500,000 0 0	
		\$2,500,000 0 0	
By Balance 31st December, 1919		\$1,500,000 0 0	
Transfer from Silver Reserve		1,000,000 0 0	
		\$2,500,000 0 0	
		SILVER RESERVE.	
		Dollars	
To Balance		\$21,500,000.00	
		\$21,500,000.00	
By Balance December 31, 1919		\$23,000,000.00	
Less transfer to Sterling Reserve £1,000,000 @ 5/8 =		3,528,411.76	
		19,470,588.24	
By Transfer from Profit & Loss Account		2,029,411.76	
		\$21,500,000.00	

A. G. STEPHEN, Chief Manager. E. V. D. PARR, JOSEPH JOHNSTON, Directors.  
V. M. GRAYBURN, Acting Chief Accountant. G. M. DODWELL.  
We have compared the above Statement with the Books, Vouchers and Securities at the Head Office, and with the Returns from the various Branches and Agencies, and have found the same to be correct.

With the exception of certain distant offices, where the year is closed on October 31 or November 30, all Branch and Agency accounts are made up to December 31.

F. MAITLAND, E. A. M. WILLIAMS, C.A., F.S.A.A., Auditors.  
Hongkong, February 15, 1921.



## NOTICE TO SHIPPERS AND PASSENGERS.

## PROJECTED DEPARTURES

## CHINA COAST, ETC.

Feb. 20-D.L.	Haiching.
21-D.L.	Kaijo Maru.
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11 A.M.

Sterling Exchange 2 1/2 T. T.

Hongkong Bank ... \$790 1/2

East Asia Bank ... \$116 1/2

Marine Insurance Co. ... \$130 b.

North China Insurance ... \$113 b.

Union Insurance ... \$24 1/2

Far Eastern ... \$23 1/2

First Insurance ... \$125 b.

Hongkong Fire Insurance ... \$120 b.

Shanghai ... \$100 b.

Star ... \$100 b.

Remittance ... \$98 1/2

China ... \$98 1/2

Ministry ... \$95 b.

Kailan Mining Adm. ... \$95 b.

Langkai ... \$95 b.

Shanghai Loans ... \$95 b.

Shanghai Exploration ... \$95 b.

Bank ... \$95 b.

Trunk Mines ... \$95 b.

Ural Caspian ... \$95 b.

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Shanghai ... \$95 b.

New Engineering ... \$95 b.

Lands, Houses & Buildings ... \$95 b.

Central Estates ... \$95 b.

Hongkong Hotels ... \$95 b.

Hongkong Lands ... \$95 b.

Hongkong Land ... \$95 b.

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West Point ... \$95 b.

Cotton Mills ... \$95 b.

Ewo Cotton ... \$95 b.

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Loan Kung Mow ... \$95 b.

Oriental ... \$95 b.

Shanghai Cotton T 118 b. 118 1/2

Yanktze ... \$95 b.

Magazines ... \$95 b.

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General Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Loans granted on approved securities.

Current Accounts opened and Fixed Deposits received at rates which may be ascertained on application.

The Bank also conducts a Savings Department.

E. C. LAU, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, Aug. 17, 1920.

## NOTICE.

## PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.

7.00 a.m. to 8.00 a.m. every 15 minutes

8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. " 10 "

9.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. " 15 "

11.00 a.m. to 12.00 noon " 15 "

12.00 noon to 2.30 p.m. " 15 "

2.30 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. " 15 "

5.00 p.m. to 8.10 p.m. " 15 "

NIGHT CARS

8.30 p.m. to 11.30 p.m. every 30 minutes

11.30 p.m. to 1.15 a.m.

SATURDAYS

EXTRA CAR-12.00 midnight

SUNDAYS

7.30 a.m.

8.00 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. every 15 minutes

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3.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. " 15 "

6.00 p.m. to 8.10 p.m. " 15 "

NIGHT CARS as on Week days.

SPECIAL CARS by arrangement at the Company's Office, Alexandra Buildings, Des Voeux Road Central.

Season and punch tickets available for all cars not all ready full running at the time stated in the Company's time table, but for special cars, can be obtained on application at the Company's Office. No Season ticket will be issued until payment therefor has been made in Bank Notes or in Cheques or Compa-dore order representing Bank Notes.

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